

**First draft of  
Delta Plan  
released by DSC**

The [first draft](#) of the Delta Plan has been released by the Delta Stewardship Council (DSC). A [cover memo](#) is also available. The draft is the first of four to be released over the next three months before the plan goes through an environmental review in June. The process is designed to identify key issues for discussion and public comment at DSC meetings and workshops. The [schedule](#) of other releases and meetings is available on the DSC website.

**EPA asks for  
input on potential  
Delta, Bay changes**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is seeking public comments on possible EPA action to address water quality in the Delta and San Francisco Bay. The agency is asking whether it should be taking new or different actions to address recent declines in aquatic species. A fact sheet and other information have been posted on the [EPA](#) website. This topic is also on the [agenda](#) of the DSC meeting to be held Thursday, Feb. 24, in West Sacramento.

**Delta Conservancy  
to discuss interim  
strategic plan**

The Delta Conservancy Board will discuss its [interim strategic plan](#) at the board meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 23, in West Sacramento. The interim plan outlines the foundation for the programs and activities to advance the environmental protection of the Delta and the economic well-being of its residents. The board's website has the [agenda](#) and other meeting materials.

**Funding  
recommendations  
available for review**

Funding recommendations for the Delta Science Program's draft 2010 Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) are now available for public review. Comments are due by Friday, Feb. 25, and should be sent to this [email address](#). The Delta Science Program received 49 research grant proposals in response to its 2010 PSP. The total funding request is approximately \$31 million. More details are available [here](#).

**Exploring solar  
possibilities along the  
California Aqueduct**

DWR has partnered with the University of California to explore the feasibility of putting solar power projects along or over the California Aqueduct. Work is under way to identify a section of the aqueduct that would be most suitable for a demonstration project. If the demonstration project is successful, it could be applied to other sites along the State Water Project. More details are available on the [DWR](#) website.

**DSC newsletter  
looks at Delta  
stressors, earthquakes**

The February edition of the [Delta Stewardship Council's newsletter](#) is available online. This issue includes a recap of a recent meeting about stressors in the Delta, and a report on the damage Delta levees might sustain in the event of a major earthquake.

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